

NEW TOWN OFFICERS

Brattleboro.
Moderator, Dr. H. D. Holton; town clerk, Carl S. Hopkins; treasurer, Wilford H. Brackett; selectman, A. E. Merrill for three years; listers, A. J. Currier, W. L. Sylvester, E. W. Blodgett; auditors, C. G. Staples, Dana H. Stafford, Solon A. Richmond; collector of taxes, W. A. Shumway; 1st constable, C. I. Knapp; 2d constable, H. J. Allen; road commissioner, Henry R. Brown; overseer of poor, O. T. Ware; grand jurors, Robert C. Bacon, O. B. Hughes; town agent, A. P. Carpenter; tree warden, George Bishop; tax to be voted at a later meeting; license vote, yes 351, no 745; 5th class license vote, yes 250, no 737; all eight proposed amendments to constitution adopted, by following votes: Proposal one, 235 to 64; two, 263 to 54; three, 205 to 73; four, 211 to 85; five, 222 to 52; six, 219 to 51; seven, 264 to 50; eight, 233 to 52.

Rockingham.

Moderator, Zina H. Allbee; town clerk, Lyman S. Hayes; treasurer, Charles E. Caylor; trustee of public money, Edward L. Walker for three years; selectman, Chester B. Hadmen for three years; listers, Patrick E. O'Brien and E. Henry Stillwell for one year, Ozias M. George for three years; auditors, Zina H. Allbee, Michael Beasley, Warner A. Graham; 1st constable, William S. Severance; 2d constable, George P. Alexander; road commissioners, Fred A. Smith, James B. Wooley; overseer of poor, Peter Dorand; school director, Windsor D. Bowen; grand jurors, James E. Byrne, Stephen J. Cline, Warner A. Graham, Charles W. Osgood; town agent, Myron H. Ray; license vote, yes 230, no 531; 5th class license vote, yes 214, no 460; all eight proposals of constitutional amendment adopted.

Vernon.

Moderator, treasurer and tax collector, A. A. Dunklee; town clerk, Mary E. Akley; trustee of public money, selectman, M. J. Stoddard for three years; listers, F. W. Stoddard for three years; auditors, S. Pike, A. Martindale, G. Ernest Hubbard; 1st constable, W. E. Tyler; 2d constable, Jay E. Johnson; road commissioner, T. E. Stockwell; overseers of poor, selectman; school director, E. Stebbins, jr.; grand jurors, L. F. Putnam; town agent, A. G. Barnes; town tax voted, 37 cents; highway tax voted, 25 cents; school tax voted, 50 cents; license vote, yes 45, no 69; 5th class license vote, yes 25, no 52; all eight proposed amendments to constitution adopted.

Londonderry.

Moderator, J. W. Melendy; town clerk, Minnie A. Tyler; treasurer and tax collector, Frank H. Tyler; trustee of public money, W. H. Landman; selectman, J. B. Johnson; listers, O. D. Parker, Frank A. Hubert; auditors, F. C. Wright, M. J. Howard, F. M. Carley; 1st constable, H. A. Dudley; 2d constable, Delbert J. Stone; road commissioner, L. D. Garfield; overseer of poor, E. W. Melendy; school director, P. A. Curtis; grand jurors, Steven Houghton; town agent, Lee S. Haven; town tax voted, \$1; highway tax voted, 30 cents; school tax voted, 70 cents, to be paid from town tax; voted \$1,000 for permanent highways; license vote, yes 31, no 76; 5th class license vote, yes 26, no 78; all proposals of amendment rejected.

Townshend.

Moderator, P. H. Rutter; town clerk, treasurer and collector of taxes, E. C. Leavitt; trustee of public money, H. Holbrook; selectman, W. W. Van Ness, J. H. Ware, R. I. Holbrook; listers, E. B. Batchelder, H. F. Franklin, P. H. Rutter; auditors, F. W. Watson, E. L. Hastings and A. B. Franklin; 1st constable, A. C. Franklin; 2d constable, H. C. Stratton; road commissioner, J. C. Taft; overseer of poor, J. H. Ware; school director, W. H. Taft; grand jurors, R. W. Snyder, H. C. Stratton; town agent, J. H. Ware; town tax voted, 75 cents; highway tax voted, 40 cents; school tax voted, 70 cents; license vote, yes 16, no 72; 5th class license vote, yes 17, no 65; \$500 appropriated under state aid law; proposals 1, 2 and 8 adopted, all others rejected.

Westminster.

Moderator, Seymour H. Minard; town clerk and treasurer, Fred L. Lane; selectmen, W. F. Ranney, C. H. Spaulding, E. G. Butterfield; listers, C. G. Miller, A. D. Kerr, John A. Thwing; auditors, D. P. Wright, R. D. Metcalf, Bert Ormsby; 1st constable and collector of taxes, C. H. Constock; 2d constable, W. G. Barlow; road commissioner, John S. Barrett, C. H. Reed; overseers of poor, selectman; school director, R. H. Ranney; grand jurors, George C. Wright, B. J. Houghton; town agent, selectman; town tax voted, 50 cents; highway tax voted, 25 cents; school tax voted, 40 cents; license vote, yes 15, no 56; 5th class license vote, yes 12, no 49; all proposals of amendment adopted.

Marlboro.

Moderator, town clerk and treasurer, Edwin P. Adams; selectman, O. Higley, C. D. Dalrymple, C. S. Worden; listers, William H. Whitney, G. L. Adams, C. E. Ingram; auditors, F. N. Bissell, L. M. Eames, J. E. Howe; constable and collector of taxes, G. L. Worden; road commissioner, W. F. Snow; overseer of poor, S. D. Bishop; school director, Lewis Fletcher; grand jurors and town agent, H. F. Whitney; town tax voted, 80 cents; highway tax voted, 40 cents; license vote, yes 18, no 58; 5th class license vote, yes 6, no 18; all proposals of amendment adopted.

Guilford.

Moderator, G. P. Miller; town clerk, treasurer and tax collector, John E. Gale; trustee of public money, L. J. Huntley; selectman, M. A. Thomas; listers, L. S. Martindale; auditors, F. H. Coombs, A. G. Gallup, W. G. Worden; constable, Frank L. Wellman; road commissioner, Will C. Baker; overseer of poor, L. J. Huntley; school director, G. P. Miller; grand jurors, J. E. Gale, J. H. Walbridge; town agent, M. A. Thomas; town tax voted, 77 cents; highway tax voted, 30 cents; school tax voted, 55 cents; poor tax voted, 35 cents; license vote, yes 67, no 74; 5th class license vote, yes 30, no 61; proposals 1, 2 and 8 for amendment to constitution adopted, all others rejected.

A Munich servant girl has given notice to quit because she says that her mistress persists in playing classical music for a couple of hours every morning, although she has not the slightest notion how it should be interpreted.

HINSDALE, N. H.

Plans for St. Patrick's Day.

The annual St. Patrick's day entertainment given under the auspices of St. Joseph's society will be held in the town hall Friday evening, March 14. Local talent will present a comedy-drama, A Foul Tip, a sympathetic and interesting story of real life, containing genuine sentiment and abundant comedy. As its title implies, baseball is a leading feature in the construction of the plot. Songs and many attractive specialties will be introduced during the play by local favorites.

Following the play dancing will be enjoyed three hours with music by Lyman's orchestra. Floor director, J. O. Bergeron; assistants, Thomas Mann, E. L. Morin, William Lachance and Robert Quigley. Refreshments will be served.

Spearhead Latchis is ill. Frank Britton has been ill this week.

Mrs. Esther Gale has been ill the past week. Joseph LaChance visited in Keene Saturday.

Mrs. Arthur Laliberte spent Monday in Keene.

William Watson visited in Harrisville over Sunday.

E. J. Cantlin returned to Randolph, Vt., Monday.

Frank Lamb was in Greenfield, Mass., Monday.

Mrs. Myron Dickerman has been ill the past week.

Dyson Rayne was at home from Claremont over Sunday.

Miss Hazel Johnson went to Brattleboro Tuesday for a short stay.

Mrs. R. L. Fletcher and little daughter are visiting a few days in Keene.

Miss Nellie Redding is at home from Brattleboro to stay a week.

Edwin, little son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Robertson, is ill with tonsillitis.

Miss Minnie Tilden has been spending several days in Greenfield, Mass.

Miss Margaret Conway of Winchester visited in town briefly this week.

Mrs. Frank Boucher left Monday to attend the millinery opening in Boston.

G. C. Fisk has been spending several days in Springfield, Mass., this week.

Miss Edith Higginson and Miss Catherine McCaughey were in Keene Saturday.

H. W. Brownell and Misses Elizabeth and Madge Bruce spent Sunday in Bellows Falls.

Mrs. Philip Bigelow returned to her home in Keene Saturday after a week spent at F. J. Cantlin's.

Mrs. W. G. Booth went Friday to Dorchester, Mass., for a three-weeks' visit with relatives.

G. N. Smith of White River Junction, Vt., has been visiting relatives in town this week.

Miss Minnie Leamy of Gardner, Mass., was with Hinsdale friends from Thursday to Sunday.

Carol McDonald has moved from the Barrows farm on Tower hill to the Jacob Barrett farm in North Hinsdale.

Mrs. Brown of Keene was a guest at F. H. Davis's from Wednesday to Saturday of last week.

Miss Bertha Day of Greenfield, Mass., came Saturday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Day.

Mrs. Herbert Barrett and son of Brattleboro were visitors with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Higgins, over Sunday.

Charles Bailey and Howard Cantlin went to Greenfield Tuesday, where they have employment in a foundry.

Miss Opal Hudson of Brattleboro was a guest of Mrs. C. W. Safford over Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Nonie Purcell, who is attending a business college in Greenfield, Mass., was at home over Sunday.

Charles Ward of Troy and Thomas Ward of Winchester attended the funeral of Mrs. Margaret Rafferty Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Talbot returned to their home in Everett, Mass., Saturday after two weeks spent at James O'Brien's.

William Cunningham and Mrs. M. D. White and other relatives attended the funeral of Mrs. Kate Quigley in Ashuelot Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lachance went to Keene today to attend the funeral of Mrs. David Parker, which will be held tomorrow.

Miss Mabel Temple, teacher of the fifth grade, has been confined to her home by illness the past week and the school has been closed in consequence.

Most of the carpenters who have been employed by the railroad in this locality recently were transferred to Brattleboro this week. L. W. Goss, Clifford Hall and Leon Outter being among those to go.

Miss Florence Ryan of Ludlow, Vt., came Saturday to assist Mrs. W. O. J. Martin during the coming millinery season. Miss Ryan is attending the millinery opening in Boston this week.

The Boston & Maine railroad will soon install electric lights at the station and freight house. Except a new building this is the best improvement that could be made for the convenience of the people.

Mrs. David Parker, formerly a resident of this town for several years, died in her home in Keene Monday night of pneumonia. Many friends and relatives from this town will attend the funeral tomorrow.

Trains on the Ashuelot branch were held up about two hours Monday morning owing to the derailment of a car on the northbound freight, caused by a broken truck near the old Davenport place. Aid was sent from Greenfield, Mass., and by means of jacks the car was replaced on the rails after the trucks had been repaired.

The fourth annual concert and ball given under the auspices of Phil Sheridan camp, No. 27, S. of V., will be held in the town hall Monday evening, March 24. Lyman's orchestra of 10 pieces will furnish the music. A concert program will be given from 8 to 9 o'clock and dancing will then be in order from 9 to 12 o'clock. Supper will be served in the basement dining room by the ladies' auxiliary. The floor director will be F. J. Place; assistant, J. P. Davenport; aids, J. E. Scott, L. J. Walker and P. C. Stewart.

Among the metropolitan dealers they no longer call the dark shade known as "roite de negre" by that refined term, but, calling a spade a spade, bluntly term it "niggerhead." The name is not attractive, but the color bids fair to gain, and hold, the first place among all the neutral shades of the season.

A PETTY TYRANT

By MARGARET BARR

In Italy they celebrate the anniversary of the evacuation of the country by the Austrians much as we Americans celebrate the Fourth of July.

On one of these anniversaries two ladies were walking on a street in Milan. They were Austrian tourists of high degree, one of them the Countess Czega. Being citizens of that empire which had lost its hold on Italy, it is not to be expected that they would feel any sympathy with the celebration.

While passing some persons who were firing explosives a man set off a pack of firecrackers, several of which snapped on to the countess's dress, burning holes in it. She was in no mood for such a misfortune and resolved on being revenged on the Italian who had occasioned it. Calling on a policeman, she showed him the damage that had been done, pointed to the perpetrator and demanded his arrest, that she might recover damages. The policeman agreed to do her bidding if she would accompany them. She consented, and the three went to the station, which happened to be only a block away.

The officer in charge suggested that since the judge before whom the case would be tried was then holding court and the ladies desired to leave Milan the next morning they go at once before him and see if they could not get it disposed of without delay. This pleased the irate countess, and they went to the courtroom.

Now, a gentleman who had been walking the streets enjoying the celebration had witnessed the accident and followed the parties first to the police station and thence to the courtroom. There he listened with marked attention to the proceedings. The lady claimed that the dress was worth 1,000 lira, or \$200. She had bought it in Milan only the day before and summoned the merchant who sold it to her to bear witness to the price paid. This established her claim, and as to the man who had burned it, he confessed that he had done so, but accidentally.

The judge ordered him to pay for the dress, but he said that he was a workman and without any means whatsoever. He offered to bind himself to pay by installments, but the lady, who was revengeful rather than needy, declined to accept such terms. The judge thereupon said that in default of payment and costs the poor fellow must go to jail until he could raise the money.

"Then," said the man, "I shall have to remain in jail for there is no possible way in which I can raise such a sum except by working for it, and I need all I can earn to support myself and my family."

The judge endeavored to persuade the lady to be lenient, but she declared that the man could pay if he would, and she would make no compromise.

"In that case," said the judge, "I have no discretion in the matter but to send the man to jail."

At this point the gentleman who had followed the party stepped forward and said to the judge, "I will pay the lady the 1,000 lira she paid for the dress, but in that case it will be mine. Will it not?"

The judge ruled that it would. The lady, whose ire had had time to cool, seemed willing to accept the solution, and the stranger, taking out a pocket-book, handed her the money and paid the costs. Then he said:

"Judge, I know who this lady is, for I have met her at court in Vienna, though she does not remember me. Her ire at the man who unintentionally burned her dress was occasioned by the fact that our people are today celebrating the expulsion of our former masters, her countrymen. She has treated the unfortunate man with great rigor, and I propose to be equally exacting. The dress she wears is mine, and I demand it immediately."

The countess, somewhat abashed at this speech, said that she would deliver the dress as soon as she could go to the hotel and replace it with another one.

"You refused," said the stranger, "to give me your name, and I refuse to give you mine. I demand my property."

The lady looked at the judge to learn if he would support that demand. The judge had already recognized the stranger and with great deference to him said that he had a right to compel the immediate delivery of his property.

"What?" exclaimed the countess. "Do you mean to force me to disrobe here?"

"You showed no mercy," replied the purchaser, "and I will show you none."

"And if I refuse your insolent demand?" she asked, looking again at the judge.

"I shall send you to jail," replied the latter.

There was a knot that only the purchaser could cut. He did it by making the lady an offer of her dress for 2,500 lira. Since she must either accept it or appear in public without it she angrily consented. The stranger took the money and handed it to the man who had burned the dress, saying at the same time to the lady:

"My object, countess, has been simply to save this man from your tyranny, just such as our people have suffered from your Austrian government. I bid you good morning."

"Who is he?" asked the lady after he had gone.

"Prince Umberto," said the judge.

Many a man's will is contested long before he is dead.

SOME SPICY SPORT CHATS

Chance Showing Right Spirit as Leader of Yanks.

HE INTENDS TO PLAY FIRST

New Manager of New York Americans Working Hard to Get Into Condition. Can Chase Hold Down Second Base in Big League Style?

By TOMMY CLARK.

Frank Chance, the new manager of the New York Americans, does not propose to allow any grass to grow under his feet. He is displaying the proper spirit since he took charge of the team, and instead of waiting a couple of weeks before starting for Bermuda the peerless leader was at the training camp two weeks before his players.

Chance wanted to get in condition before his players arrived. He figures



FRANK CHANCE BEFORE HE SAILED FOR BERMUDA.

that by getting an early start he will be able to hold his own with the team. There is hardly a doubt about Chance being able to play. He is apparently in better health than he has ever been before, and if he is careful in his training and gets his legs strong he will not only be of great aid to his team, but he will prove himself one of the best guardians of the initial sack in the league.

If ever a ball player had reasons for putting forth his best efforts it is Chance. He is anxious to prove that Murphy made a mistake when he let him out. He wants to disprove all the things that Murphy charged, and there is no better way to do that than to make good with the New York team. Of course too much must not be expected from Chance at the outset. He will not have a high grade team to start with, but he has the ability to gradually gather a good ball team around him, and when that condition prevails he will have a chance to prove his managerial ability.

Of late there is much discussion over Hal Chase's ability to play second base for the New Yorks the coming season, but the consensus of opinion among Gotham experts is that if he does he will be the greatest left-handed second baseman in the American league. Time only can tell whether Chase can play the bag or not.

There have been few left-handed infielders in the history of baseball, and for this reason there are those who doubt Chase's ability to play second base for the New Yorks.

Back in the early days Philadelphia had a second baseman named Greenwood who threw left handed. He managed to hold his own, but was not a real star. Hick Carpenter helped Cincinnati with the only pennant the Reds ever copied, in 1882, and he played third base, though he was left handed. Carpenter was a steady proposition, but he was not a star.

Chase is by far a much better player than any of those mentioned, and while he may be handicapped at second because he throws left handed, yet he stands a chance to make good.

What changes have been wrought in the great Cub machine of two years ago? Frank Chance now is manager of the New York Americans, Tinker and Brown are Cincinnati Reds, Steinfeldt is gone, Jim Doyle has crossed over the range, Artie Hoffman is a Pirate, Jack Pfeister is in the minors, and Kling is out of baseball.

YUSUF MAHMOUD COMING.

"If Not Killed by Turks" He Will Be on Hand to Wrestle.

"Unless I am killed in battle with the Turks I will take the next boat to the United States after peace is restored," declared Yusuf Mahmoud, the giant Bulgarian wrestler, in a letter to a friend in Chicago recently.

Yusuf, who is an officer in King Ferdinand's army, told of some exciting engagements and added that he much preferred mat contests to those engaged in upon the firing line.

The man who borrows trouble generally gives his peace of mind as security.

The Bell telephone company has 175,000 employees on its pay roll.

WHEN PETE BROWNING MIS-UNDERSTOOD HURST.

In the old days when Buck Ewing and King Kelly were National league stars and Charley Comiskey, Biddy McPhee and Toad Ramsey occupied the spotlight in the old American association Tony Mullane, afterward—yes, long afterward—a pitcher, was in the heyday of his career. It was said of Tony that he could pitch with either hand and that just to bother batters after he had a game won—he would throw one ball with his right arm and the next with his left.

Tim Hurst one day said to Pete Browning, the Louisville outfielder and great slugger: "This Tony Mullane is ambidextrous, isn't he, Pete?" "Reckon so," was Pete's response. "They do say's how he kin swim as well as he kin pitch."

M'CARTY VERSUS WELLS.

Two White Heavyweights May Meet in New York March 14.

If Luther McCarty and Bombardier Wells, the English champion, meet in a ten round bout in New York, March 14, there will be a chance for the Englishman to get on a match with Jack Johnson, provided, of course, that Wells is the winner of his bout with McCarty. A match between Wells and Johnson could be pulled off in England or France. Just how good a man Wells is has not been established. He was beaten by Palzer, but claims to have been ill at the time. What is true of Wells is also true of McCarty.

Following certain labyrinth of the "dope" on McCarty, the now accepted white heavyweight champion fighter of



Photo by American Press Association.

BOMBARDIER WELLS, ENGLISH HEAVY-WEIGHT CHAMPION.

the world, arouses one to anything but an enthusiastic frame of mind about McCarty's marvel. The best thing that can be shown in regard to McCarty is his coast record of victories over Palzer and Flynn.

For example, take the line on McCarty through Jess Willard, the best six inches of humanity who beat McCarty in the opinion of newspaper critics and who at least must have been entitled to a draw. Later Willard fought Soldier Kearns, who was a mere novice forty pounds lighter than himself, vastly shy in reach, strength and height and of even less pugilistic education than himself. Yet Willard floundered around for five rounds, smashing his own knuckles and stepping on his own feet before the contest was finally stopped.

Woman and Politics.

A course in politics for the girl students in Vassar has been endowed. Prophetically appropriate?—New York World.

Suffragettes are to have a bank of their own. Be a wild time growing around that bank if it ever falls.—New York Telegram.

Dr. Anna Shaw would rather vote than be married. Woman's usual impracticableness! If she were married she could control two votes.—Baltimore Sun.

Change of Dates For Open Tournament Insures International Competition.

Official announcement of the change of dates for the National open golf championship at the Country Club, Brookline, Mass., from the original time, June 4 and 5, to Sept. 17 and 18 was made recently by Robert C. Watson, president of the United States Golf association.

The change will mean that Harry Vardon, five times the British open champion, and Edward Ray, present holder of the title, will visit the United States in quest of its open title. Moreover, George Duncan, looked upon as a championship possibility, is likely to change the plans for his coming visit to be to here for the tournament.

There will be an interval of ten days between the end of the national amateur championship at Garden City and the beginning of the national open event, during which time a tournament will be held on the national golf links of America at Shinnecock Hills, N. Y.

Chinese Nine to Play Again.

The Chinese university of Hawaii, Honolulu, will again send its baseball team to play against the college teams of this country. The nine is composed of Chinese students, all citizens of the United States, who will arrive in San Francisco the latter part of March, playing representative teams of the west, middle west and east.

Sporting Notes.

John J. McGraw has signed a new contract for five years with the New York National league club. The terms are said to be \$20,000 a year.

Negotiations are pending for an international contest of 1,500 points at 18.2 ball line billiards between William F. Hoppe, the champion, and Firmin Cassaigne, conceded to be the best billiardist of the present day in France.

Howard Jones, Yale 1908, Sheffield, has been appointed head coach of the Yale football team for the year 1913. His appointment marks an important epoch in the Blues' football history. He will be the first salaried football coach for Yale. For years Yale has adhered to the graduate coaching system, with Walter Camp as chief adviser.

German Gleanings.

That instruction in domestic science be made compulsory for girls' schools is urged in a petition signed by a large number of women in Berlin.

The German army comprises a total of 855,912 men. Of the 27,037 officers 413 are generals, 605 colonels and 2,367 officers of the hospital corps. There are 531,004 privates.

Berlin has just opened a new hotel with a roof garden restaurant, the first of its kind in Germany. It will command a splendid view on summer nights of the famous Berlin zoo and the brilliantly illuminated environment. The hotel represents an investment of \$2,500,000.

The South Pole Tragedy.

The thoroughness and elaborateness of Captain Scott's equipment may in itself have proved a handicap instead of an aid.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

No poet has yet been able to glorify sufficiently the heroes of the arctic and antarctic regions, yet they deserve immortalization in undying verse.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

A strict inquiry will presumably develop the reasons why Captain Scott's magnificently equipped expedition should have met with such a disaster.—New York World.

Base Hits.

There they go again—robbing baseball of all its charm. The appellate court of Illinois has ruled that it is illegal to strike an umpire.—Manchester Union.

The English language is spoken by 150,000,000 people. The number who can speak the baseball language is considerably less, though growing larger every year.—Toledo Blade.

Flippant Flings.

Turkey hardly has a rug left to stand upon.—Norfolk Ledger.

No one but a woman could have had the nerve to suggest that Mr. Maxim invent a woman silencer.—Boston Advertiser.

A bill to stop the killing of frogs is introduced in Minnesota. Greenback legislation springing up again.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

The Man Higher Up.

This is a good time for the man higher up to climb a little higher.—New York Tribune.

The graft hunters in New York are another step nearer the men "highest up."—Boston Journal.

In view of recent disclosures \$15,000 seems to be a very low price for the post of police captain in New York.—Exchange.

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